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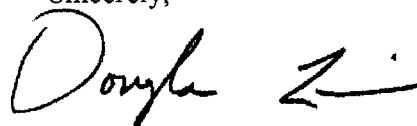
Re: MDL 1332; Burst v. Microsoft Corporation

Dear Spencer:

I am writing regarding your May 19, 2004 letter seeking to depose Microsoft's counsel who prosecuted Microsoft's patent applications entitled: (1) Improved Media Streaming Method and Arrangement and (2) Client-Side Caching of Streaming Media Content.

As you know, deposing your opponent's counsel is an extraordinary request. Please provide us the following information so that we may consider your request: (1) what information you seek from Microsoft's attorney, (2) why that information cannot be obtained from non-lawyers, (3) what relevance that information has to this case, and (4) why that information is not privileged.

Sincerely,



Douglas I. Lewis